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Applicants: Mark E. Cook, et al.  
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Title: Methods for Heat-Stabilizing Proteins with Specific Binding Activities  
Art Unit: 1623  
Examiner: N/A  
Docket No.: 960296.00097

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### STATUS INQUIRY LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Applicants request information as to the status of the above-identified application. The case was filed February 11, 2004, and no first action has been received.

Please respond to the below-identified attorney. If a fee is needed, please charge deposit account 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: February 16, 2006

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